



Arizona Department of Public Safety

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One person killed in collision on Interstate 10 east of Willcox

On Feb. 28 at 2:43 a.m., Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS) Officers responded to a fatal collision on Interstate 10 about 45 miles east of Willcox, Ariz.

A 2004 BMW driven by Erin Mendoza, 35, of Scottsdale, Ariz. was traveling eastbound on Interstate 10 in the westbound traffic lanes and struck a 2009 Harley Davidson motorcycle head on. The motorcycle was being driven by David Miller, 21, of Bermuda Dunes, Calif. Miller was ejected from the motorcycle, landing on the roadway where he was then stuck by a commercial vehicle. Miller was declared deceased on the scene.

Mendoza received minor injuries and the driver of the commercial vehicle and his passenger were not injured. A helmet was in use by Miller and safety restraints were used by all occupants of the other vehicles.

The cause of the collision is under investigation.

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The mission of the Arizona Department of Public Safety, one of the most dynamic state-level law enforcement agency in United States, is to protect human life and property by enforcing state laws, deterring criminal activity, assuring the safety of the motoring public on Arizona's highways and providing vital scientific, technical and operational support to other criminal justice agencies. The Department, also one of Arizona's largest law enforcement agencies with some 2,200 sworn and civilian employees, consists of four divisions – Highway Patrol, Criminal Investigations, Criminal Justice Support and Agency Support. The Department is headquartered in Phoenix with offices located in more than 80 communities within Arizona's 15 counties.

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